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Zion Lutheran Church

Zion News & Notes

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Zion's News & Notes

A few words from Pastor Bill

Dear Friends in Christ,

It sure has been, and still may be, HOT! Guess this is not news to anyone. Then again, it is summer and some aspects of summer time are returning, the Boilermaker Roadrace, for example. Thank you to the volunteers who collected non-perishable food items and cash donations to assist refugee programs and local ministries.

Even though it is summer, and it is HOT, many things are happening at Zion. Of course Worship continues each Sunday at 10:00AM. But...did you take note of the ICE CREAM "SOCIAL", planned for Friday, August 12th. Ice Cream and music! I heard rumors that there might also be sidewalk chalk and bubbles....fun for all ages. Help Zion proclaim its presence in the community! Be present! Help if you can! Invite friends and neighbors! Even if it is HOT, this will be COOL!

The "Abide Program" is continuing. Pastor Lori Kochanski, Assistant to Bishop Miller, will be at Zion on Sunday, September 25th, for Worship and Conversation. This is an important step in the journey of Zion moving into the future. Mark your calendars and plan to be present, participate, and share your thoughts.

Also in September Zion and Trinity Lutheran, Herkimer, will be meeting together. On Sunday, September 4th, the two communities of faith will share in Worship. The Service will be streamed from Herkimer into Zion's Sanctuary. Of course, Zion's members are also welcome to attend the Service in Herkimer. Remember on July 3rd, Worship from Zion was streamed into Trinity's Sanctuary. This "holy experiment" allows Worship in two locations, but as a combined worshipping community.

Yes....don't forget the picnic with Trinity at the Frankfort Village Marina. Fun, Fellowship and Food!

Maybe I am thinking a lot about September because it is HOT today, and it might be a tad bit cooler in September. But, the real reason is to remind you that a lot is happening and more activities for Mission and Ministry are on the horizon.

Zion's Church Council and other members are actively looking to the future. I pray more of Zion's members will answer the Spirit's call to be active participants in these days when dreams and visions for tomorrow are being actively explored.

The weather this summer may be HOT, but remember that many things are happening and are planned for Zion on this journey into tomorrow, building on the past and celebrating the present.

With YOU in this journey together.....God's Peace be with You!

Pastor Bill

PS: Remember that I am available for scheduled visits in the church office or, if you desire, in your home. Please contact Sara at Zion, or email me at PastorBill@zion.com.

Teaser....

Watch for it! Conversation about major issues of today informed by teachings of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.



August Announcements

In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life...

The Rev. Norman J. Heid entered the Church Triumphant on July 12, 2022. He served congregations in several communities and retired from LutheranCare after 24 years of service to residents, their families, and staff of this ministry. Pastor Preuss officiated at his Funeral Service on July 14th. He is survived by his wife, Susan, son John (Martha), and granddaughter Mary.

Long time member of Zion, Dave McCarthy, passed away on June 4th after health situations. "Dave fought his battle, and he won." -Ann McCarthy

Worship Team: Please review the sign up sheets and sign up where you can! We could never have a service without you and the generosity of your time. Thank you!

Worship & Music: The next meeting will be held on Sunday, August 14th, at 11:30am in the Fireside Room.

Coatrooms: The upstairs and downstairs coatrooms should not be used as storage. Please see Jim Schieble or Sara if you have a question about where to store an item. We've been finding garbage and random items in both of the coatrooms. Thank you!

Sexton: Please submit all work orders and messages designated to Zion's Sexton to Ben Silva. You can put work orders in his mailbox or submit them via email to: silvaben1408@gmail.com. Many messages for our Sexton have been going to Sara Silva; these should be sent directly to Ben. Thank you for your cooperation! -Jim Schieble and Sara Silva

Picnic with Trinity/Herkimer: September 18th. Please see page three for more information!

Sexual Harassment Training: Zion staff and council members participated in the annual training required by the state of NY. Thank you Pr. Anita for hosting the training at Our Saviour!

Boilermaker parking lot donations: Zion raised \$403! This year's monetary donations went to the Refugee Center. The cart filled with canned goods and other non perishables were donated to The Warming Center, where it was much needed; thank you to Ben Silva for making the delivery!

Ice Cream Social

Zion is hosting an ice cream social outside in the parking lot on Friday, August 12th from 7 PM until gone!

Please see the sign up sheet if you would like to volunteer in any way. We are accepting a few donations of 8oz bottles of water, whipped cream cans, baby wipes, and cookies to be used as toppings- this list is also available on the sign up sheet.

We hope to see you there!

Council President's Report

Pastor Bill asked, "Where do you see God at work today?" in his July 17th sermon. I see God at work in our joint conversations with Trinity/Herkimer. These conversations have led to ways for both churches to support each other. On July 3rd, Zion hosted a Zoom service for Trinity/Herkimer. Ann Maher, Trinity's council president, thanked us with a letter of gratitude. On September 4th, Trinity will host and Zoom a worship service for Zion. Trinity/Herkimer has been most appreciative of the opportunity to work with and get to know Zion congregants. We may also have a joint cook-in to support Your Neighbors and Trinity/Herkimer's food ministry in the future. On September 18th, we will have a joint picnic at the Frankfort Marina Park from noon until 3:00. There will be a sign-up sheet in the narthex for attending this opportunity for fellowship. The sign-up sheet includes a space to share what you'd like to bring and if you'd like to carpool. I strongly encourage you to make every possible effort to join our friends at Trinity at this picnic.

In Christ,
Linda Bennett
Council President

Please join us for a Picnic at Frankfort Marina Park with our friends from Trinity/Herkimer on Sunday, September 18th from 12-3pm!
Dishes are welcomed, please see the sign up sheet or give us a call.
Address: Parking lot, 122 Marina Park Dr, Frankfort, NY 13340



August Birthdays

Darlene Youngkrans	2	Joyce Maher	23
Julianna Griffiths	4	Shawn Kelly	25
Nancy Thompson	7	Corey Pardee	25
John Bonvicino III	8	Grayson Stevens	25
Michael Stevens, Sr.	8	Megan Roberts	27
Megan Bonvicino	11	Linda White	27
Kevin Owens	11	Melissa Aceto	29
Deborah Miller	16	Karen McLennan	30
Ed Nelson	18	Sharon Jeché	30
Jennifer Pierce	19	Autumn Stevens	31

Gifts Given to the Glory of God

In Memory of:	To:	Given by:
Ben Edmiston	Endowment Fund	Jan & Ron Kowalczyk
My father	World Hunger	Fran LaGase
Dave McCarthy	World Hunger	Fran LaGase
Dave McCarthy	Endowment Fund	Jan & Ron Kowalczyk
In Honor of:	To:	Given by:
Pastor Bill's 50th Ordination	World Hunger	Linda Bennett
Pastor Bill's 50th Ordination	World Hunger	Wendy & Mike Stevens
Pastor Bill's 50th Ordination	World Hunger	Laurel McCurdy
Pastor Rick	World Hunger	Carolyn Dzwonkas
Jim & Kim Marscher	Your Neighbors	Chuck & Shirley Carlson

August Worship Team Schedule

Date:	Worship Assistant	Pastor	Greeters	Ushers
Aug. 7		David Grindle, SAM	Linda Bennett	Evon Pinkos & Carolyn Dzwonkas
Aug. 14	Laurel McCurdy	Pr. Bill		
Aug. 21	Wendy Stevens	Deacon Patsy Glista		
Aug. 28		Rev. Richard Yost		

Thank You Notes

Thank you for the many cards and prayers at the time of my brother's (Bill) passing. You give so much comfort in knowing the care of my church family. Again, thank you.

Karen Toepp

Dear Zion,

Thank you to everyone who sent me cards and wishes for my birthday. It was really nice of you.

From,

Jayden Silva

Thank you for the many birthday cards on the occasion of my 75th birthday! - Janet Bagnall

To my Zion family,

Thank you so much for all of the cards, messages, notes, and gifts for my Birthday! I read them all and they made me tear up a little. Your appreciation is clear, and it is heartfelt. To Mae Parker, I will be sure to pass along the message card!

Sincerely,

Sara

To the Zion Congregation:

Thank you for your donation of diapers, wipes, and adult diapers that you collected for your diaper drive! These were all used in our hospital send home care packages. They were very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Carenet Staff

Thank you, Millie!

I'm encouraged by Millie Angevine's willingness to reach out to every member of our congregation with birthday cards and quips and quotes. When COVID reared its ugly head in March of 2020, Millie prayed, "What can I do?" Shortly after that prayer, a response came to her. The response was to send birthday cards to every member of our congregation. Millie didn't stop at sending cards; she desired to do more. Millie started to collect quips and quotes to include with the birthday cards. Millie wanted to let others know they were cared for and wanted them to have a good laugh. Many of her quotes are encouraging Bible verses. Other quotes are more humorous. "Housework won't kill you, but why take the chance?" is on her list of quips and quotes for August. Thanks, Millie, for your ministry of birthday cards with quips and quotes. You have provided the gifts of care and laughter to many. -Linda Bennett

		June 2022 Treasurer's Report		
	June 2022	Year to Date	Budget	Over/Under Budget
Income				
Giving	\$ 13,888.81	\$ 96,185.04	\$ 75,000.02	\$ 21,185.02
Other Income	\$ 1,284.47	\$ 10,954.85	\$ 10,221.06	\$ 733.79
Total Income	\$ 15,173.28	\$ 107,139.89	\$ 85,221.08	\$ 21,918.81
Total Expense	\$ 9,064.70	\$ 78,173.21	\$ 85,433.52	\$ (7,260.31)
Net Income	\$ 6,108.58	\$ 28,966.68	\$ (212.44)	\$ 29,179.12

MEET OUR NEW MISSIONARY IN ZAMBIA



On Saturday, February 12, 2022, The Rev. Kristin Engstrom arrived at the airport in Lusaka and was welcomed by three church leaders: Treasurer Bernard Mapulanga, Senior Pastor Geoffrey Njapau, and Secretary General Rev. Mathilda Banda. The very next day, Pastor Engstrom began her new call as the Facilitator for Leadership Development and Capacity Building with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Zambia (ELCZa) by meeting all the people who worshiped at the church where The Rev. Banda preaches.

We at Zion have made a covenant promise of prayer, communication and financial support for The Rev. Kristin Engstrom. Zion's Social Ministry Committee would like to thank the Endowment Fund Committee for jump-starting our fundraising for sponsoring our missionary in southern Africa with a distribution of \$1,000. To make a donation, write, "Missionary" on the memo line of your check and use a green "My Designated Gifts" envelope.



We want to wish Kirsten Burson all the best with her new move. Kristen accepted a new job at Grinnell College in Iowa starting this fall.

The position is a great opportunity, she said, in terms of her career, and it also puts her closer to her family in Nebraska.

Kristen stopped by the church on July 18th to donate her non perishables to the food cart, and she will be leaving for Iowa on Saturday, July 23rd.

Thank you, Kristen, for your years of dedication and work with Zion; you has been a faithful member here and we will miss you!

*If you would like to send greetings and well wishes, you can send them to:
Kristen Burson, 909 8th Ave., Grinnell, IA 50112*

Prayer Garden



Thank you to everyone who donated flowers for Zion's Prayer Garden!

Thank you to Debbie, Kim, and Linda for doing the gardening.

The Prayer Garden is open to those of you who wish to meditate and pray.

Thank You

Pr. Bill's 50th Ordination Anniversary



Pastor Bill and Marilyn Preuss on Sunday, June 26th for Pastor Bill's "surprise" 50th Ordination Anniversary celebration! Thank you to everyone who helped make this possible.

Congratulations



*Happy 60th Anniversary, Chuck & Shirley Carlson!
This photo was taken on Sunday, June 26th, at Pr. Bill's Ordination Celebration.*

Congratulations to

Michael Stevens, Jr., and Aubrey Turner,
who were married on July 16, 2022.

We wish them all of God's blessings for a long and happy marriage!!





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*The mission of Zion Lutheran Church is to prayerfully
discern God's call to help people
to become more fully devoted followers of Christ.*

**You are invited to an Ice cream social at
Zion Lutheran Church!**

**Join us outside in the parking lot on
Friday, August. 12th from 7pm until gone**



Feel Free to bring an outside chair.

Richard Bostick will be playing some jazz tunes.

Hope to see you there!

